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A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Yes, the year has rolled around and Christmas is here again. Right joyously is the grand old festive season, welcomed by all, old and young. Its hallowed associations are felt and acknowledged as wide as christendom extends, and each succeeding anniversary seems to be hailed with increased interest. Glorious old holiday of one whole long week, with New Year's Day at the other end! Season of good cheer, season of universal enjoyment, season of re-unions, season when the heart strings, as well as the purse strings are relaxed and the Angel of Charity and good will seems to hover over the earth! Season when the poor, the unfortunate and the afflicted are particularly remembered, and none are allowed to go away empty. Indeed it is hard to enumerate the blessings that cluster around this greatest of all holiday seasons.

Not the least of these is the universal enjoyment of the children—the dear blessed children. They seem to claim Christmas time as peculiarly their own, and who does not experience a thrill of pleasure at seeing the little ones made happy? Hard indeed is the heart of the man who can turn a deaf ear to the satinations of these little ones and let the little extended hand go away empty and the bright eyes that looked up in confident hope and tears of joy, become suffused with disappointment.

Friends, resist not the generous impulses that spontaneously arise at this gay and bounteous season. Let your hearts go out to the dear children; and oh, forget not the poor, the sick and the afflicted. Every community has them. No matter how healthy the climate there are always some poor, unfortunate people in every community, who are unable to provide for themselves. Let them be remembered. Remember the admonition, "blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy," and those other solemn words, "inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of one of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me," and you will realize the force of the old adage, "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

There is no reason that in a country like ours, where a kind Providence has blessed us with peace and plenty, any one should be allowed to suffer for want of the necessities and comforts of life. Let us feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the sick and comfort and console the distressed and thus our hearts will be better enabled to respond to that glorious anthem sung by the Angels, "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth and good will to men."

Well, friends, we have written some serious words in this Christmas greeting, but we do not wish to recall any of them. They are direct from our heart. We are all poor, imperfect creatures, at the best. We, ourselves, are sensible of the fact that we are no better than we ought to be. But we consider the recurrence of this annual festive season, a good time for reflection. It is a good time to review the past and form resolutions of amendment for the future. It is the time to do good acts, which will live when we shall have passed away and been forgotten on earth. We feel that our heart is big enough to embrace the whole world, especially the female portion of it, and though we would not be selfish, we wish that all the female loveliness on earth was concentrated in one person and that she would

But we suppose that is too much to hope for just now, and we must be content with what blessings we can cull in our passage through this sublunary sphere, feeling assured that we are bound for a higher and brighter ope, "where the inhabitants never grow old, and where the flowers bloom forever." Thus, "with charity for all, with malice toward none," and a heart full of love and good will, thankful for the many acts of kindness that have been extended toward us, during the past year, and fervently praying that the blessing of Heaven may rest upon those kind generous people, we wish one and all and especially the patrons of the SENTINEL, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Another Terrible Calamity at Sea.

The following, with the annexed telegrams we copy from the San Diego Union of the 20th:

A strange fatality has seemed to follow the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's vessels for the last two years. The telegraph now brings us intelligence of the loss of another first-class steamship, the *Japan*, which was burned off the coast of China on Thursday of last week. Particulars of this calamity are yet meagre, but the loss of human life is said to be very great. The *Japan* was one of the largest class of wooden side-wheel vessels in the Company's fleet, being of 4,300 tons register with a capacity for 1,350 passengers and 2,100 tons of freight. The value of the steamer was, if we remember rightly, upwards of \$300,000. She was insured for \$150,000.

TERRIBLE CALAMITY.

The Pacific Mail Company's Steamship "Japan" Burned at Sea off the Asiatic Coast.

Special Dispatch to The San Diego Union. SAN FRANCISCO, December 19.—A special dispatch from China by cable, via London, New York and the overland wire has just been received at the Merchant's Exchange, giving intelligence of the burning of the Pacific Mail Company's steamship *Japan* at sea, forty miles below Swatow. No other particulars.

Second Dispatch.

NEW YORK, December 19.—A special from Hongkong says: The Pacific Mail steamer *Japan* was burned on Thursday last, the 17th. A few of the crew and passengers have arrived here. It is feared that many lives were lost. The steamer was insured for a hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Third Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, December 19.—The State Department has received a cable dispatch announcing the burning of the Pacific Mail steamer *Japan*, with frightful destruction of life and the loss of the mails.

An Enterprising Country Editor.

He was once out on a jaunt in the township of White Oak, Ingham Co., sticking to every farmer until he got his name and his money, and it so happened that he came to a house where death had called a few hours before. The farmer's wife was laid out, and husband and his children were grieving over her loss when the editor knocked at the door.

"What's up?" inquired the editor as he saw the farmer's solemn countenance before him, "My wife is dead," replied the farmer.

"Is that so?" mused the editor a little disappointed. "Did she die easy?"

"Dropped off like a lamb," "Did she say anything?"

"Not a word—just went right to sleep like."

"I didn't know," continued the editor, a sad look on his face, "but what she might have requested you to subscribe for the *Cascade*, which you know is the best paper in the country. If you want it I'll take your name down, and under the circumstances, I won't charge you a cent for the obituary notice."

The farmer hung off for a while, but before the editor went away he had two additional dollars in his pocket, and had written out an obituary notice for publication in next issue which the bereaved husband pronounced a "mighty smart piece."

LIEUT. THEO. SMITH, Supt. of the U. S. Military Telegraph, has returned from his survey for the Apache line. He will leave Tucson Monday for San Diego, where his headquarters are to be in the future.

DR. CRONKITE, Assistant Surgeon, arrived by stage from California yesterday morning. Dr. Cronkite is to relieve Dr. Geo. S. Post, Surgeon at Fort Yuma.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Special to the "Sentinel."

Territorial Dispatches.

TUCSON.

Much Thieving Going On—Organization of Social Club.

TUCSON, December 19.—Stealing prevails here somewhat—a thief for every night in the week. On Thursday night, Dr. Brown returned from Sonora, occupying a room in the Cosmopolitan Hotel met with a heavy loss. The thieves stole from his room four hundred dollars, deeds and papers relative to mines in Sonora, medical case watch, lot of clothing, etc. The papers are regarded as the most serious loss.

A social club has been organized with a membership of about thirty.

Surveying the New Telegraph Route.

TUCSON, December 23.—Lieut. Theodore Smith, Superintendent of the Military Telegraph, returned from Camp Apache this evening where he has been engaged surveying the route for the new telegraph lines to Apache.

Proceedings of the District Court.—Deep Snow in the Mountains—Business Activity—Wedding in High Life, Etc.

TUCSON, December 24.—In the District Court, all the criminal cases are through and the civil cases are being taken up.

Reports have reached town that the mountains near Camp Grant have been snowed in to a depth of six feet. This being the case, it will prevent the procuring of timber to supply the Government saw mill at that post which is engaged in cutting telegraph poles. This will likely delay the construction of the Military telegraph line to Camp Apache, some time.

The town appears to be unusually busy. Buildings are being hurried forward to completion as fast as possible. Some difficulty will no doubt be experienced in getting accommodations for the Legislative members who assemble here about January 1st.

The great event of the season comes off to-night—the marriage of W. W. Williams. The wedding takes place at the house of Dr. Lord. Guests have arrived from all parts of the country and a gay time is expected to-night.

PHOENIX.

Election to Decide the Tie—Oury Probably Elected—Arrangements of Stage Agent.

PHOENIX, December 23.—A special election took place in Maricopa county yesterday. At Phoenix everything passed off quietly. One hundred and seventy votes were polled, of which Oury received 168. In the Gila precincts Oury is running about even. All returns are not in from Tempe; a messenger from there who left last evening before the polls closed says every ballot cast up to the time of his departure, was for Oury. He is elected beyond a doubt by a very large majority.

Mr. Thomas, route agent of the California and Arizona stage company has been in town for a few days and has about perfected arrangements which will enable passengers from Prescott to the Southern portion of the Territory to go through without laying over at Wickenburg and this place, which was necessary under former arrangements.

MARICOPA WELLS.

Trains for Panamint via Yuma—Cold Weather.

MARICOPA WELLS, December 23.—The trains of Daniels & Murphy left here yesterday morning for the Panamint mines via Yuma and San Bernardino. Weather coldest of the season, the thermometer yesterday morning standing at 8 o'clock at 25 degrees above zero. To-day is somewhat milder.

PRESCOTT.

Lieut. Reilly takes Leave of Absence.

PRESCOTT, December 24.—Leave of absence for one month on Surgeon's certificate of disability is granted 1st Lieut. Bernard Reilly, Jr., 5th Cavalry, with permission to apply to the proper authority for an extension of four months—Station Camp Apache, A. T. Holiday Orders to Telegraphic Operators.

The following dispatch explains itself:

PRESCOTT, Dec. 24.—To operator, Yuma Depot—Office hours for Christmas and New Year's will be from 9 to 10 a. m. and 7 to 8 p. m. THEO. SMITH, Lieut. and Supt.

CAMP VERDE.

Inspection Concluded—Christmas at Fort Whipple.

CAMP VERDE, December 22.—Col. Evans has concluded his inspection at this post and left for Prescott this morning. He is accompanied by several officers who intend to spend Christmas at Fort Whipple.

WEATHER REPORTS.

Received at Yuma, December 25th, 9 A. M.:

[Reported by the U. S. Military Telegraph Lines.]

San Diego—Clear, wind north, thermometer 65.

Indian Wells—Clear, wind north-west, thermometer 66.

Yuma—Clear, wind calm, thermometer 67.

Stanwix—Clear, wind north-west, thermometer 65.

Maricopa Wells—Clear, wind north, thermometer 60.

Florence—Clear, wind north-east, thermometer 64.

Tucson—Clear, wind calm, thermometer 63.

Phoenix—Clear, wind north-west, thermometer 59.

Wickenburg—Clear, wind north, thermometer 61.

Prescott—Clear, wind north, thermometer 55.

Camp Verde—Clear, wind north-west, thermometer 55.

Foreign and Domestic.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Gen. Cobb Shot by a Woman.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 22.—At ten o'clock this morning, General M. G. Cobb, a prominent lawyer of this city, was passing up Washington street, when a woman named Mrs. Hannah Smyth, rushed across the street and shot him, the bullet taking effect near the lower part of the spine. Cobb was removed to his house. His left hip and leg are paralyzed and his recovery is considered doubtful.

General Cobb was the attorney for Mrs. Smyth and has advanced her money. The case is now before Judge Hoffman. The woman claimed that Cobb was too slow with the case, and that this is her reason for attempting to murder him. She seems to be careless as to the result.

Gold and Greenbacks.

Gold in New York, 111½. Greenbacks in San Francisco, 89½@90½.

SALT LAKE.

Curious Verdict of a Jury.

SALT LAKE CITY, December 20.—The jury in the case of John Murphy, indicted for assault with intent to kill, to-day, brought in a verdict of assault with intent to frighten; but upon being sent back to their room afterwards, returned a verdict of not guilty.

IOWA.

Lynching.

DES MOINES, December 20.—Reports prevail here this evening that the Vigilantes had last night hanged George N. Kirkman near Peoria City, 25 miles distance. The story goes that Kirkman's wife having taken refuge from him with her son-in-law, Kirkman burned the latter's barns with his stock and implements.

NEW YORK.

Jail Delivery.

NEW YORK, December 22.—Tom Ballard, the noted counterfeiter and four other prisoners escaped from the county jail here this evening.

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TWO COUNCILMEN,
ONE MARSHAL,
ONE TREASURER,
ONE ASSESSOR,
ONE POUND-MASTER.

A. J. FINLAY,

Yuma, Dec. 22d, 1874.

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PROBATE NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of FRANCIS HINTON, Deceased.

It appearing to the Judge of said Court by the petition this day presented and filed by George Stone, the Administrator of the Estate of Francis Hinton, deceased, praying for an order of sale of real estate, that it is necessary to sell the whole of the real estate, to pay outstanding debts against the said deceased, and the debts, expenses and charges of administration.

It is therefore ordered, by the Judge of said Court, that all persons interested in the estate of said deceased, appear before the said Court, on

MONDAY, THE 11th DAY OF JANUARY, A. D. 1875.

At Ten o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court room of said Probate Court, at the Court House, in the Town and County of Yuma, to show cause why an order should not be made granting the prayer of said petition, to sell the whole of the real estate of the said deceased. And that a copy of this order be published at least four successive weeks in the ARIZONA SENTINEL, a newspaper printed and published in said Town and County.

H. N. ALEXANDER,
Probate Judge.

Dated December 17th, 1874. 119-44

NOTICE.

The Board of Supervisors of Yuma County have extended the term for collection of Taxes for 1874 until the 28th day of December, 1874; after which date taxes will become delinquent, and 25 per cent. added thereto. I will be at my office at the Court-House during business hours to receive and receipt for the same.

December 1st, 1874.

F. H. GOODWIN,
Sheriff and Tax-Collector, Yuma Co.

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George Martin



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